

# Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church

200 CARLTON AVENUE • WASHINGTON, NEW JERSEY 07882

*"Everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will acknowledge them before my Father." —Matthew 10:32*



Parish Office/Rectory----- 908-689-0058

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Website----- stjosephwashingtongj.org

Open Monday - Friday...

9:00 am - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 4:00 pm

After 4:00 pm, by appointment only.

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**Parishioner on the Move**  
Please notify the Parish Office.

## PASTORAL & SUPPORT STAFF

(Rt.) Rev. Guy W. Selvester, M.Div., M.A.----- *Pastor*

Rev. J. Michael Venditti, M.Div. ----- *In Residence*

Edmund M. Hartmann, Jr.-----*Deacon*

Sylvan H. Webb -----*Deacon*

Laura A. Torres----- *Parish Secretary*

Mrs. Joyce Rock----- *Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL)*

Shirley A. Firling ----- *Director of Sacred Music*

James Mc Aloon----- *Pastoral Council Chairperson*

Mary Jane Lusardi ----- *Trustee*

Patti-Sue Rolak ----- *Trustee*

Anthony Tomeski ----- *Web Master*

Bob Opdyke----- *Finance Council Chairperson*

Jose Santiago-----*Cemetery Committee Chairperson &  
Hispanic Committee Chairperson*

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / 908-689-0093

Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:30 pm / Grades: 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a

7:00 - 8:15 pm / Grades: 6a, 7a, 8a

Wednesday: 5:30 - 6:30 pm / Grades: 1b, 2b, 4b, 5b

7:00 - 8:15 pm / Grades: 6b, 7b, 8b

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## SAINT JOSEPH CEMETERY / 908-689-0058

12 Jackson Valley Road • Washington, New Jersey

## SACRAMENTAL & PRAYER LIFE

### *Sacrament of Eucharist/Mass*

Saturday Vigil-----5:00 pm

Sunday-----7:30 & 11:00 am

Spanish Mass----- 9:30 am

Daily Mass ----- 9:00 am

Holy Days ----- 9:00 am, 12:10 & 7:00 pm

### *Sacrament of Baptism*

Expectant parents are requested to attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to the birth of the child. Please pre-register with the parish office. The sessions are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room. Baptisms are held the 2nd Saturday of each month at 11:30 am at the church.

### *Sacrament of Penance*

The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated on Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 pm and Wednesday from 7:15 to 8:00 pm in the reconciliation chapel.

### *Sponsorship/Eligibility Forms*

Only registered and practicing Catholics can receive a letter attesting to their sponsorship eligibility. One must request the form from the parish office prior to being a sponsor. The form will then be mailed or picked up at the parish office.

### *Sacrament of Marriage*

Couples planning marriage are requested to make an appointment with the Pastor. Arrangements should be made one year in advance.

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the parish family of Saint Joseph Church, are brothers and sisters in Christ. Under the Guidance of the Holy Spirit and through the nourishment of the sacraments, we are called to love and serve in His name. We will promote the Kingdom of God to all, through education, witness, service and worship, by giving of our time, talents and treasures.*

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**February 16, 2020**



**Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

**Saturday February 15**

5:00pm Reverend Emil Stack  
r/o Ann Daugert

**Sunday February 16  
Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

7:30am Mark Unangst  
r/o Joseph Bustel

9:30am People of the Parish  
(Spanish)

11:00am Holy Spirit Wisdom Adam Pryor  
r/o Dan Pryor

**Monday February 17  
The Seven Holy Founders of the  
Servite Order**

9:00am Joseph Zvirblys  
r/o Mary Zvirblys

**Tuesday February 18**

9:00am Mary Williams  
r/o Ann Daugert

**Wednesday February 19**

9:00am Mary Daugert  
r/o Ann Daugert

**Thursday February 20**

9:00am Gennaro Ricci  
r/o Ileana Hannema

**Friday February 21  
Saints Peter Damian  
Isabel Giugliano**

9:00am r/o Marie Walker

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Denise Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Jill Dubay, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Peter Garon, Vincent Giancesano, Francine Gore, Charles Hemsel, Josie Kaspereen, Ann Krouse, Dave Lewis, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, George Melious, John W. Mulvenna, Eddie O'Donnell, Catherine Papp, Richard Polhemus, Margaret Ricci, Charles Roseberry, Barbara Russian, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr. Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, James Todd, Frances Wadnik, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Jamie Zimmerman, Emma

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

**WEEKLY COSTS:**

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)	\$8,396.06
<b><u>Weekend of February 1 / 2</u></b>	<b>\$5,904.00</b>
Electronic Giving	630.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,534.00</b>
<b>Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$1,862.06)</b>
<b><u>Weekend of February 8 / 9</u></b>	<b>\$5,611.00</b>
Electronic Giving	602.00
Bingo Income	847.00
Other Income	454.53
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,514.43</b>
<b>Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$881.53)</b>

**This Week in Our Parish.....**

**Sunday, February 16**

7:00pm Bingo / Parish Center

**Monday, February 17**

Parish Office is closed in observance of President's Day

**Tuesday, February 18**

**Religious Education**

5:30-6:30pm Grades 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a

7:00-8:15pm Grades 6a, 7a, 8a

**Wednesday, February 19**

**Religious Education**

5:30-6:30pm Grades 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b

7:00-8:15pm Grades 6b, 7b, 8b

7:15pm Confessions

**Friday, February 21**

7:00-9:00pm Spanish Ministry / Choir Room

**Saturday, February 22**

4:00-4:45pm Confessions

**YOUTH LEADERSHIP CIRCLE**

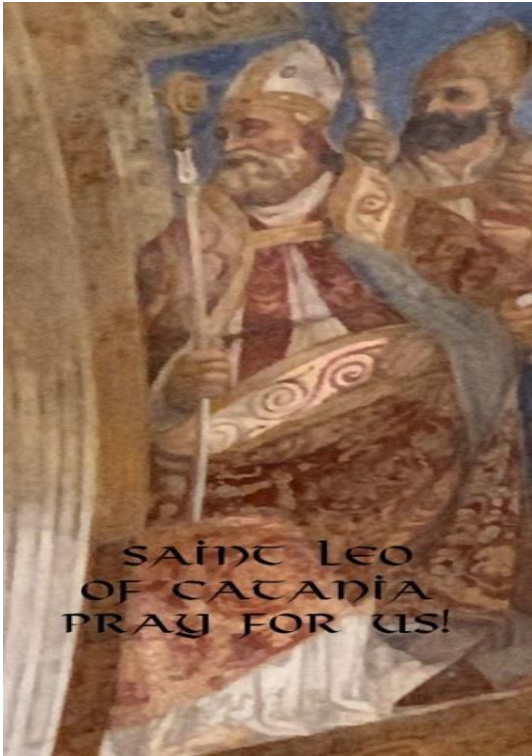
We are seeking new members from our parish youth ages 10-18. There are no dues.

You are invited to our **Mardi Gras** game night on Tuesday, February 25 from 6:00PM - 9:00PM in the Community Room. Come and find out what we are all about! Food will be served.

Contact Terry Finnegan at 908-689-3505 for more information.







## FROM THE PASTOR



Monday, February 17 is **President's Day** and it's a federal holiday so the Parish Office will be closed all day and the church will close after the morning Mass.

I'll be talking this week with the Diocesan Director of Development about ways we can creatively look to raising the funds necessary to proceed with the repairs to the classroom

building roof.

Thursday, February 20 is the little know feast of **St. Leo of Catania** aka "Thaumaturgus" (which means the "Wonder-Worker"). He was the bishop of Catania, Sicily (the city I just visited last week) in the 8th Century. In 2013 I was named Titular Abbot of a now defunct monastery outside Catania dedicated to this saint so each year on his feast I recall his memory and it also makes me think back fondly on my visits to Catania.

Have you considered what you are going to do this year for Lent? Ash Wednesday is only 10 days away.

Have a Blessed Week!

## SCRIP/GIFT CARDS

At the January 16 meeting of the Parish Council it was decided to discontinue the SCRIP/Gift card Program until further notice. This is because of an extremely low level of participation in the program.

Very few of our parishioners have been participating to the point that we aren't making any significant money for the parish and are actually close to merely breaking even. Since this is supposed to be a parish fundraiser that sort of defeats the purpose.

In addition, it has become increasingly difficult to get a sufficient number of parishioners to volunteer to take orders and sell the gift cards after Masses on the weekends.

As a result, the Parish Council advised, and I have concurred, that the program will be discontinued for the present. Perhaps, at some point in the future, we can reinstate the program. The discontinuation is effective as of February 9, 2020.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join the upcoming global effort February 26 – April 6 for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Offer time to peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood here in Washington. For more information contact Jennifer English [ajmadopt@comcast.net](mailto:ajmadopt@comcast.net) 973-525-6692 or visit <https://40daysforlife.com>

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

### Saturday, February 22

#### 5:00PM

Lector: Brian Drennon

Extraordinary Ministers: Larry Kaspereen Barbara Ward

Servers: Nicholas Carucci, Tyler Altmann

Cantor: Bernie Stenger

### Sunday, February 23

#### 7:30AM

Lector: Steve Martinko

Extraordinary Ministers: Steve Oravetz, Susan Oravetz

Server: Olivia Camporini

#### 9:30AM (SPANISH)

Lector: Grace Valverde, Edward Velasquez

Extraordinary Minister: Diego Zamora

Server: Natalie Velasquez

#### 11:00AM

Lector: Bob Oakley

Extraordinary Ministers: David Slovak, Su-Nin Stenger

Servers: Amelia Roberto, James Soletto

Cantor: Debbie Wheelan

## GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY FUNDRAISER

Our annual candy fundraiser has begun! All orders must be **returned by Monday, March 2.**

Remember, no order is too small.

Thank you for your support and generosity.